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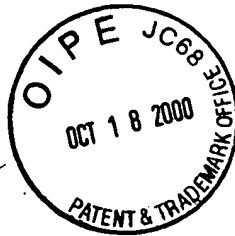
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, 1.97-1.98, applicant calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 5,881,233, to TOYODA et al., issued March 9, 1999, along with corresponding Unexamined Japanese Patent Publication No. 8-242326, to BANDO et al., published March 9, 1999, along with an English language abstract, discussed on page 1 of specification; and

European Patent Application No. EP 0923034 A1, to SAITO et al., published June 16, 1999, along with corresponding Unexamined Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-15755, discussed on page 2 of specification.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite the above patent documents and translation. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 form which is also attached. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 form and to return a copy of the form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant also brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending and commonly assigned patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/099,528, filed June 18, 1998;

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/264,821, filed March 9, 1999;

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/334,617, filed June 17, 1999; and

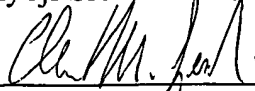
U.S. Patent Application No. 09/426,745, filed October 26, 1999.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned applications are not attached. The Examiner is requested to review the file wrappers of these U.S. patent applications at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Of course, if for any reason the Examiner cannot locate any of the applications, applicant will provide any requested materials, if possible.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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